

PROFILE OF SELECTED EMPLOYMENT CHARACTERISTICS
1990 and 2000

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	Number 1990	Percent	Number 2000	Percent	Number Change 1990 - 2000	Percent Change 1990 - 2000
EMPLOYMENT STATUS						
POPULATION 16 YEARS AND OVER	3,240	100.0	3,311	100.0	71	2.2
In Labor Force	2,326	71.8	2,425	73.2	99	4.3
Civilian Labor Force	2,318	71.5	2,425	73.2	107	4.6
Employed	2,190	67.6	2,295	69.3	105	4.8
Unemployed	128	4.0	130	3.9	2	1.6
Percent of civilian labor force	5.5	x	534.0	x	x	x
Armed Forces	8	0.2	0	0.0	-8	-100.0
Not in labor force	914	28.2	886	26.8	-28	-3.1
Females 16 years and over	1,640	100.0	1,637	100.0	-3	-0.2
In labor force	1,050	64.0	1,113	68.0	63	6.0
Civilian labor force	1,050	64.0	1,113	68.0	63	6.0
Employed	1,037	63.2	1,050	64.1	13	1.3
Own children under 6 years old	349	100.0	267	100.0	-82	-23.5
All parents in family in labor force	173	49.6	190	71.2	17	9.8
COMMUTING TO WORK						
WORKERS 16 YEARS AND OVER	2,143	100.0	2,255	100.0	112	5.2
Car, truck, or van - - drove alone	x	83	x	88.5	x	x
Car, truck, or van - - carpooled	x	11.3	x	6.2	x	x
Public transportation (including taxicab)	x	0.2	x	0.2	x	x
Walked	x	5.2	x	1.3	x	x
Other means	x	0.3	x	0.6	x	x
Worked at home	(included in walked)		x	3.2	x	x
Mean travel time to work (minutes) ¹	28.8	x	32.9	x	4	14.2
OCCUPATION ²						
EMPLOYED CIVILIAN POPULATION 16 YEARS AND OVER	2,190	100.0	2,295	100.0	105	4.8
Management, professional, and related occupations	x	x	914	39.8	x	x
Service occupations	x	x	334	14.6	x	x
Sales and office operations	x	x	538	23.4	x	x
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	x	x	30	1.3	x	x
Construction, extraction, and maintenance occupations	x	x	271	11.8	x	x
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	x	x	208	9.1	x	x
INDUSTRY ³						
EMPLOYED CIVILIAN POPULATION 16 YEARS AND OVER	2,090	100.0	2,295	100.0	205	9.8
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	x	x	53	2.3	x	x
Construction	x	x	202	8.8	x	x
Manufacturing	x	x	253	11.0	x	x
Wholesale trade	x	x	115	5.0	x	x
Retail trade	x	x	228	9.9	x	x
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	x	x	65	2.8	x	x
Information	x	x	26	1.1	x	x
Finance, insurance, real estate, and rental and leasing	x	x	123	5.4	x	x
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste management	x	x	179	7.8	x	x
Educational, health and social services	x	x	629	27.4	x	x
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accomodation and food service	x	x	119	5.2	x	x
Other services (except public administration)	x	x	157	6.8	x	x
Public Administration	x	x	146	6.4	x	x
CLASS OF WORKER						
EMPLOYED CIVILIAN POPULATION 16 YEARS AND OVER	2,190	100.0	2,295	100.0	105	4.8
Private wage and salary workers	1,605	x	1,603	69.8	-2	-0.1
Government workers	392	x	422	18.4	30	7.7
Self-employed workers in own not-incorporated business	169	x	264	11.5	95	56.2
Unpaid family workers	24	x	6	0.3	-18	-75.0

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FOOTNOTES

x Data not available or not applicable.

¹ Due to changes in data capture procedures, mean travel time in 1990 is understated slightly relative to mean travel time in 2000.

² Occupation data for 1990 and 2000 are not comparable due to changes in the classification system by occupation.

³ Industry data for 1990 and 2000 are not comparable due to changes in the classification system by industry.

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